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To: Maryland Hospitals

From: HSCRC Quality Team

RE: Updated Digital Measure/eCQM Facility Patient Identifyer

Reporting and Annual Data Finalization

This memorandum outlines HSCRC's updated eCQM/digital data submission requirements and clarifies the timeline for finalizing the data on an annual basis beginning with the CY 2023 performance period.

As hospitals are aware, the HSCRC, in conjunction with our partners at CRISP (and the hMetrix and Medisolv contractors), is continuing implementation of our multi-year, coordinated effort to collect data in quarterly submissions of digital quality measures. This began with eCQMs in CY 2022 and has now added submission of Core Clinical Data Elements (CCDE) for hybrid measures in the performance period starting July 1, 2023.

To enable HSCRC to better match eCQM QRDA 1 files and CCDE for hybrid measure data submissions with the case mix data, HSCRC is requiring the addition of the facility patient Medical Record Number (MRN) for all data submitted beginning January 1, 2023.

Regarding the annual finalization of the digital data submissions, HSCRC will lock the annual data set 90 days following the last quarter of the previous year. In addition, it is expected that the quarterly data hospital submissions within a given year are final unless a hospital notifies the Commission of a need to re-submit because of unforeseen errors in the submitted data using the process set forth in the <a href="Extraordinary Circumstances Exception">Extraordinary Circumstances Exception (ECE) policy</a>.

For additional information, including the current measure reporting requirements and associated timelines, feel free to use the <a href="CRISP eCQM">CRISP eCQM</a> webpage. If you have any other questions or need assistance with your submission do not hesitate to contact Jenna Pickard:

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